

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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1. Hempro is an enterprise for the import and export of chemical products. It is one of the largest and oldest enterprises of its type in Yugoslavia.
2. Before the decentralization of foreign trade offices, Hempro imported and exported many products, such as crude rubber, machine fats, aniline dyes, and film.
3. Following the decentralization of foreign trade, new import-export enterprises were set up in the capitals of the individual republics and these also engage in importing and exporting chemical products. Some of the larger enterprises have established special sections for their chemical products trade. All of these enterprises, however, deal in several fields of industry whereas Hempro, and to a certain extent, the Kemikalija enterprise in Zagreb,<sup>1</sup> are the only specialized enterprises of their kind.
4. As a result of the increase in industrial production, it has become necessary to import certain chemical raw materials and semi-finished products which either were not imported before, or were imported in the finished state. The assortment and structure of the import and export lists have changed, and will be changed even more after certain factories and coke plants now under construction begin production of semi-finished products and coke.
5. Hempro's main imports are the following:
  - a. Natural and synthetic rubber;
  - b. Tallow;

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- c. Linseed oil;
  - d. Coconut oil;
  - e. Stearin;
  - f. Paraffin;
  - g. Ethereal oils;
  - h. Phosphates;
  - i. Potassic fertilizers;
  - j. Nitrogenous fertilizers;
  - k. Products for the protection of grain;
  - l. Sulfur;
  - m. Aniline dyes;
  - n. Naphthalene;
  - o. Benzol;
  - p. Phenol;
  - q. Pitch;
  - r. Creosote;
  - s. Natural and synthetic tars;
  - t. Natural and synthetic waxes;
  - u. Colephony;
  - v. Potassium and natron compounds;
  - w. Tires;
  - x. Soot and active coal;
  - y. Plastic substances; and
  - z. Barriers and softeners used in the manufacture of plastic substances.
6. Hempire is exporting approximately 60 different articles at the present time. The principal ones are:
- a. Bluestone;
  - b. All kinds of sodas;
  - c. Calcium carbide;
  - d. Polyvinyl chloride;

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- e. Sheet and hollow glass;
  - f. Matches;
  - g. Various acids;
  - h. Mineral dyes;
  - i. Copper;
  - j. Lead; and
  - k. Zinc compounds.
7. Hempro is trying to find foreign markets for sulfuric cellulose which comes from Prijedor, Bosnia-Herzegovina; various products derived from wood distillation from Teslic, Bosnia-Herzegovina; and sheet glass from Pancevo, Serbia. Sheet glass, certain kinds of hollow glass, matches, certain products used in tanning, and brimstone dyes are being introduced on the world market for the first time by Yugoslavia.
8. Although most Yugoslav enterprises of this type engage only in trade, Hempro seeks markets for new Yugoslav products. Hempro constantly keeps in touch with the commercial and technical offices of domestic producers, and advises them on foreign markets.

1.  Comment: The offices of Kemikalija are located at 6 Svacicov Square, Zagreb. The firm recently contracted to sell calcium carbide to a Hungarian firm.

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